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In re the Application of: **Nagashisa CHIKAZAWA et al.**

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Sir:

Applicants respond herein to the Examiner's Answer mailed December 19, 2005 by  
hereby reopening prosecution.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** appear in the listing of claims that begins on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 8.